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## House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WOMACK).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
September 10, 2012.

I hereby appoint the Honorable STEVE WOMACK to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:  
We give You thanks, O God, for giving us another day.

As the Members of the people's House return to the Capitol, call them as well with Your gentling voice of collegiality.

When a sense of alienation shadows all of our souls, we find our differences difficult to bear; we move away from each other. Insofar as the spirit of alienation has descended upon this House, help each Member to overcome unnecessary divisions that hamper productive work on behalf of our Nation.

Bring them to a deeper level of awareness of Your Spirit, and make us one Nation. Give the Members listening hearts, willing to give to each other time and attention and ready to respond to Your spirit living in each one.

And may all that is done within the people's House this day be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the

last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
WASHINGTON, DC,  
August 15, 2012.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives,*  
*Washington, DC.*

DEAR SPEAKER BOEHNER: I write to inform you that I have notified California Governor Jerry Brown of my resignation from the House, effective midnight tonight, August 15th.

It has been a tremendous honor to represent my friends and neighbors from California's Central Valley, both in Congress and the California State Assembly. I look back with pride on what we have accomplished. The real honor of serving in Congress is not working in historic buildings, but in laboring with so many unbelievably talented and dedicated individuals who serve our Nation daily.

Sincerely,

DENNIS CARDOZA.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
WASHINGTON, DC,  
August 15, 2012.

Hon. EDMUND G. BROWN,  
*Governor of California,*  
*Sacramento, CA.*

DEAR GOVERNOR BROWN: I write to inform you that I will resign my House seat, effective midnight tonight, August 15th.

It has been a tremendous honor to represent my friends and neighbors from California's Central Valley, both in Congress and the California State Assembly. I look back with pride on what we have accomplished. The real honor of serving in Congress is not working in historic buildings, but in laboring with so many unbelievably talented and dedicated individuals who serve our Nation daily.

Sincerely,

DENNIS CARDOZA.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from California (Mr. CARDOZA), the whole number of the House is 430.

### COMMUNICATION FROM DISTRICT DIRECTOR, THE HONORABLE ROBERT A. BRADY, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Ilene Jenofsky, District Director, the Honorable ROBERT A. BRADY, Member of Congress:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
WASHINGTON, DC,  
August 15, 2012.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
*Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a subpoena for testimony issued by the Philadelphia Municipal Court, Criminal Division, in connection with a

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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